

City of Newport Beach, CA

City Manager's Newsletter

TO: Mayor Gardner & Council Members

FROM: Dave Kiff, City Manager

DATE: September 7, 2012

Please enjoy the attached newsletters...





COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Kimberly Brandt, Community Development Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Date: September 7, 2012

Permit Center Goes Live with Q-Matic Queuing Software

In an effort to improve customer service at the public counter, staff recently unveiled Q-Matic, a new customer queuing system which is designed to streamline communications between staff while serving customers. software is much more than an electronic sign-in sheet or ticket dispenser; it will serve as a valuable analytical tool for managers to monitor real-time activity at the public counter. Originally intended to be implemented at the new Civic Center, staff chose to use the remaining time at our existing location to become acclimated with the new system and to familiarize our customers with the new process. The



system will also assist with the development of our new concierge position that will serve as a central "customer check-in" at the new Permit Center.

Planning Division

New Applications

- Marigold Parcel Map (PA2012-099). A tentative parcel map application for two-unit condominium purposes located at 611 Marigold Avenue. The existing duplex was demolished and a new duplex is being built to condominium standards.
- <u>Cucina Alessa MUP (PA2012-100)</u>. A minor use permit application to allow an Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) license change from a Type 41 (On-Sale Beer and Wine Eating Place) to a Type 47 (On-Sale General Eating Place) for an existing restaurant located at 6700 W. Coast Highway. No changes are proposed to the floor plan or hours.

- Palm Avenue Telecom (PA2012-106). An application by Sprint PCS to modify their existing wireless telecom facility located at 309 Palm Avenue. The modifications are for the purpose of upgrading the existing technology of the facility by replacing and reinstalling the existing panel antennas and related equipment in the same location on the building.
- Newport Coast Drive Telecom (PA2012-107). An application by AT&T to modify their
 existing wireless telecom facility located at 20662 Newport Coast Drive. The existing
 panel antennas and equipment will be replaced in the same location for the purpose of
 upgrading the existing technology of the facility.
- <u>Birch Street MUP (PA2012-112).</u> A minor use permit application to amend the current use permit to allow 20 percent of the total gross floor area of the development at 20311 Birch Street to be used as a medical office on the first floor. No waiver for number of parking spaces is requested.

Plan Check and Counter Activity

Counter activity and plan check activity remain consistent with overall weekly averages. The increased plan check activity continued for projects in and around the Newport Center/Fashion Island area. Plans for a second parking structure in the 500 block of Newport Center Drive were recently submitted to the Building Division.

PLANNING COUNTER ACTIVITY FOR AUGUST 13 TO AUGUST 24	
251	CUSTOMERS SERVED (AVERAGE OF 25 PER DAY)
80	PLANS REVIEWED AT THE COUNTER
43	PLAN CHECKS APPROVED OVER THE COUNTER (59 PLANS SUBMITTED FOR A TOTAL OF 83%)

Promotion

Congratulations to Fern Nueno, the City's newest Associate Planner. Fern began her career with the City in 2006 as a Student Aide and she has quickly risen through the ranks. The recruitment resulted in over 350 applicants, and Fern demonstrated through the process that she was the best candidate for the job. She clearly deserves this promotion. Congratulations Fern!



Building Division

New Code Information on Website

The Building Division has added the following web pages to the City's website to provide code related information to the general public.

- Building Safety Bulletins: The most recent code changes at the City and state levels that will affect design can be found here.
- Floodplain Management Information: <u>This web page</u> provides information related to compliance with the City's Floodplain Management ordinance affecting properties located in a flood zone.
- California Energy Regulations: Information related to the California energy requirements and many of the necessary forms are located here.
- CalGreen: The most recent new code requirements relates to the California Green Code. This web page provides helpful information for designers and architects.

The City Council amended and adopted the new California Fire Maps which are now in effect. Information may be found on our <u>Building Safety Bulletin website</u>. Information may also be found on the <u>Fire Department website</u>.

Building Division Activity

BUIL	BUILDING ACTIVITY FOR AUGUST	
\$21.4 MILLION	CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITY PERMITTED	
3,000	INSPECTIONS COMPLETED	
448	PERMITS ISSUED	
199	SETS OF PLANS REVIEWED	
9	NEW DWELLING UNITS PERMITTED	
1,350	CUSTOMERS SERVED AT FRONT COUNTER	

Code Enforcement Division

Summer Enforcement Project

In addition to their regular enforcement duties, Code Enforcement partnered with the Recreation Department and Lifeguards to identify unpermitted surf camps and classes in order to educate them on the City's rules and regulations on the beach. Code Enforcement worked with Recreation to locate the operators of these surf schools and deliver letters that outlined the process for obtaining approval from the City.

A Request for Proposals (RFP) will be released in early Fall to ensure that all interested parties for using beach space are given an equal opportunity to have their applications reviewed. The goal of the RFP is to equitably allocate the limited beach space in a way which balances resident concerns, recreational surfing interests, and general beachgoers interests. Most importantly, selected contractors will be required to have proper insurance, staffing, and training. Questions about the RFP for Contract Instructors should be directed to Matt Lohr in Recreation at (949) 644-3164.

Neighborhood Improvement Program





Before After

The Code Enforcement Division is pleased to present another successful Neighborhood Improvement project. As part of the Division's Neighborhood Improvement Program, staff routinely identifies residential and commercial properties that are in need of maintenance.

The residential property on the Balboa Peninsula (shown above) needed to be painted and landscaped. Code Enforcement officers worked with the property owner to ensure that the required corrections were completed within a reasonable timeframe.



FINANCE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTING * FINANCE & TREASURY * OMB * REVENUE

September 7, 2012

TO: DAVE KIFF, CITY MANAGER

FROM: Dan Matusiewicz, Finance Director

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

FINANCIAL REPORTING ADVANCEMENT

As part of our ongoing commitment to streamlining our operations, Accounting staff are implementing Caseware with the assistance of IT and outside consultants. Efficiency is vital to our operational success and Caseware is a versatile and relatively inexpensive "off the shelf" program, that will provide the City with greater productivity and analytical capabilities, helping us to work smarter and faster through the use of technology.

For many years, Accounting staff have accumulated and arranged financial information in numerous Microsoft Excel spreadsheets in order to prepare the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) and State Controller's Report. This manual process was very cumbersome and labor intensive. Only one staff member at a time could update information in the spreadsheet, causing creation of temporary versions and making version control nearly impossible. Each change required data entry in multiple areas, and required careful review of linked data to ensure accuracy.

The Caseware implementation will eliminate these issues, increasing the efficiency and timeliness of our financial reporting process by reducing data entry, and virtually eliminating the need to review links between spreadsheets. Caseware will increase collaboration between the Finance team as staff members will be able work in their assigned areas, within a single source of reporting data. The results of individual changes will be available to all users and reflected throughout the reporting data, as they are made. Once these initial reports are running smoothly, we will be exploring other areas where opportunities exist to make full use of the Caseware product.

PENSION REFORM ACT

On August 31, 2012, the California State Legislature approved changes to California's public employee pension system as part of the Public Employee Pension Reform Act (PEPRA). The Finance Department is carefully analyzing the impact of these changes as the ambiguities in the legislation are further resolved and the California Public Employees' Retirement System (CalPERS) further develops how the changes will be implemented.

Prior to the Legislature's approval, CalPERS released a preliminary analysis of the proposed legislation and a related preliminary actuarial cost analysis. CalPERS estimates the legislation will create savings between \$42 billion and \$55 billion for all CalPERS administered pension plans over the next 30 years. The full text of the Actuarial Cost Analysis and the Updated Preliminary Analysis of the Conference Committee

Report are available online at www.calpers.ca.gov. The Updated Preliminary Analysis of the Conference Committee Report includes specific details regarding proposed changes to the pension system.

Newport Beach is already committed to comprehensively and aggressively addressing pension cost concerns. Far reaching changes have already been implemented in partnership with the City's employee groups, through our collective bargaining process. As a City, we have already considered and implemented similar changes. We will keep you posted on the impact of this legislation and the related pension costs savings for our City as additional information becomes available.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION COMPLIANCE AND OUTREACH PROGRAM

The California State Board of Equalization (BOE) has assigned 6 to 8 inspectors to visit businesses in Newport Beach over the next 3 months as part of the Statewide Compliance and Outreach Program (SCOP). The BOE is visiting businesses throughout the state to ensure they have all permits and licenses required for programs administered by the BOE. The BOE's objective is to educate business owners about their responsibilities, provide guidance for proper reporting, give owners the opportunity to ask any questions about sales tax regulations, update account information, increase tax compliance, and help make the sales tax system fair. In addition, they will also ask about other tax and fee permits or licenses a business owner may be required to hold, including city business licenses.

If owners have specific questions about the inquiries from the BOE inspectors, they should call the local State Compliance and Outreach Program Team 800-400-7115 or view Publication 164, Statewide Compliance and Outreach Program, on the BOE website at www.boe.ca.gov.

SECOND WEDNESDAY TRAINING REMINDER

Please note upcoming training topics:

September 12 – Grant Administration

October 10 – Online Purchase Requisitions (tentative, to be confirmed)



Newport Beach Fire Department Office of the Fire Chief

DATE: September 7, 2012

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Scott Poster, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

Tumua Anae Back to Work with Gold Medal



The Newport Beach Fire Department held its very popular Junior Firefighter Camp for children, ages 9-13. The camp was taught by our very own Newport Beach Firefighters and will introduce the participants to the firefighting profession.

Participants learned about:

- Fire Safety
- Basic First Aid
- Intro to Firefighting Tools & Skills

Seasonal Lifeguard/Olympic Gold Medalist Tumua Anae was back to work after the London Olympics. She was kind enough to bring her medal to show off to some news agencies, beach goers, and co-workers. She worked several days at the end of the summer before heading off to Hawaii, where she will be hosting a TV show. We are so proud of her for her achievements and it was an honor to have her back at the end of summer to work with us.

Junior Firefighter Camp is Back



The kids as well as the instructors had an awesome week and all look forward to participating again next year!

Lifeguard Awards Ceremony and Buddy's Buoy Swim

The 7th Annual Newport Beach Lifeguard Awards Ceremony was held on Wednesday, August 15, 2012. Fire Chief Scott Poster opened the ceremony and commented on the good work of the lifeguards this summer.

Assistant Chief Williams presented 39 Service Award pins, highlighted by giving "25 Years of Service" pins to Don Gray III (son of former NB Fire Captain Don Gray II), Mike Ure and Josh van Egmond and a "20 Years of Service" pin to Brian Gray.

Evan Kikawa was selected the West Newport Division Lifeguard of the Year!

David Pratt was selected the Balboa Division Lifeguard of the Year!

Beau Nicolette was presented the Corona Del Mar Division Lifeguard of the Year Award!

Clay Rinker received the Rescue Boat Division Lifeguard of the Year Award!

Nick Yeager was selected the Junior Lifeguard Division Instructor of the Year!

Tim Ecker was selected the Junior Lifeguard Division Rookie Instructor of the Year!

Madison McLaren received the "Top Gun" Award for being the top finisher in the Basic Lifeguard Academy!

Bryan Buck was presented the Rookie Lifeguard of the Year Award! And **Hunter Owen** was selected the Reserve Lifeguard of the Year!

Kyle Hersh received the **Al Irwin** Family Scholarship and a check for \$1,000, presented by 96 year old, retired Newport Beach Captain of the Lifeguards **Al Irwin**. Kyle is attending UCI Medical School.

Brad Monroe was selected the **Don Burns** Scholarship Award winner, receiving \$1,000. Brad is studying for his Teaching Credential.

Shaun McCoy was selected the Lifeguard Management Scholarship Award winner, receiving \$1,000. Shaun is attending Saddleback College Paramedic School and hopes to become a Newport Beach Firefighter.

Congratulations to the 21 Guards who honored former Captain Buddy Belshe, a 47 year Newport Beach Lifeguard veteran, in swimming the 6thAnnual Buddy's Buoy Swim! Clay Rinker won the event in 5min 36 seconds, joined by Don Gray, Julie Gray, Taylor Gray, Gary Conwell, Boyd Mickley, John Carpenter, Jack Guenard, Avery Wickham, Jeff Diller, Tim Thomas, Marshall Tutton, Brian O'Rourke, Bryan Buck, Jack Turner, Brandon Butler, Beau Nicolette, Jake Philpot, Jim Turner, John Moore and Skeeter Leeper.

Lifeguard Blood Drive Results

The Newport Lifeguard End of Summer Red Cross Blood Drive collected 79 donations from 97 donors.

This was down slightly from the 86 donations at the Lifeguard Summer Kick-off drive in late June.

The Newport Beach Ocean Lifeguard Association provided Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, and for the first time – a "What Would You Do For a Klondike Bar?" challenge (buying Klondike Ice Cream Bars for donors) that is credited with a late push over the 70 donor bar. It will be very close this year, but Newport Beach Lifeguards hope to bring the Southern California Lifeguard Blood Drive Challenge Trophy to Newport for the fifth consecutive year.

Corona Del Mar/Don Burns Scholarship Swim

The Newport Beach Ocean Lifeguard Association hosted the 27th Annual Don Burns-Corona Del Mar 1 Mile Ocean Swim on Saturday at Big Corona Beach. 297 swimmers entered the event, enjoying terrific ocean conditions. With the water temperature at 74 degrees, surf less than 1 foot and water visibility of 25 feet, conditions were perfect for a fast swim. Olympic Swim Trials competitor Robert Margalis, 30, of Newport Beach, won the one mile swim in 17 minutes 23 seconds, followed closely by 53 year old Andy Bray of Huntington Beach in 17:30.

Cynthia Lewis, 37, of Irvine, won the women's division and was fifth overall, with a time of 18 minutes 13 seconds. Former Newport Beach Lifeguard Ryan Bise, of Los Gatos, was fourth in 18:08 and 50 year old rookie Newport Beach Lifeguard Bryan Buck was seventh, in 18:47.

The Don Burns-Corona Del Mar swim is held annually to honor the legendary Don Burns and raise funds for the Don Burns Lifeguard College Scholarship. This is the fourteenth year the Newport Beach Ocean Lifeguard Association has awarded the Don Burns Scholarship to a Newport Beach lifeguard, attending an accredited college or university, who best exemplifies the traits and qualities exemplified by Don. Providing leadership to Newport Beach Lifeguards for thirty-eight summers before his death in 1993, Don Burns was a local high school teacher, high school coach who spent 38 summers lifeguarding, and teaching lifeguarding skills, for the City of Newport Beach. The 2012 Don Burns Scholarship was awarded to thirteenth year lifeguard, and avid waterman, Brad Monroe of Huntington Beach. Brad is returning to school to earn a teaching credential, specializing in Special Education.

The qualities that Don exemplified and that are the criteria for selection for the scholarship are:

- 1. Service, dedication and outstanding performance as a lifeguard
- 2. Friendliness, generosity of time and energy in the service of others
- 3. Interest in education and youth development
- 4. Sports involvement and sportsmanship
- 5. Development and improvement of lifeguarding and lifesaving associations, i.e. Newport Beach Ocean Lifeguard Association, California Surf Lifesaving Association, or the United States Lifesaving Association

Don Burns was born on August 8,1926 and served in the Air Force during World War II, stationed in Amarillo, Texas. He died of a heart attack on November 13, 1993.

Don was a backup quarterback for USC in 1949 and 1950. He taught and coached at Newport Harbor High from 1953 to 1959. He transferred to Costa Mesa High School when CMHS opened in 1959 and was the Mustang's first Head Football Coach. Don taught at Costa Mesa from 1959 to 1972. In 1972 he moved to Estancia where he coached lower levels of high school football and track. He retired in 1984 as the Eagle's Athletic Director his final year with the Newport-Mesa School District.

As a lifeguard, Don was hired by the City of Newport Beach in 1956. He worked through the summer of 1993. Don worked as a tower guard, unit guard, seasonal supervisor and cadet supervisor. Don assisted teaching the rookie training for over twenty years. Don ran the cadet lifeguard program from 1975 until 1993. Don also headed up the CPR program at Newport Beach Lifeguards from 1975 through 1993. CPR was a favorite topic of Don's. He was Newport Lifeguard's representative to the American Heart Association for ages. He taught CPR to numerous departments in the City during his career.

Don sailed in the Transpacific race, from Southern California to Hawaii, in the Pattycat in 1966 and Polynesian Concept, with Buddy Ebsen, in 1968.

Don was a wonderful and generous gentleman. He was a friend to all he met and a genuinely caring individual. He went out of his way daily to help others and assist others in becoming better individuals. He always had a kind word for everyone he encountered and always had a story from the old days of lifeguarding. Every week of the year, a lifeguard staff member is stopped by a beachgoer and asked about Don Burns and told stories about Don having been their coach, teacher or lifeguard supervisor. He is a Newport Beach lifeguarding legend.

Upcoming Events:

Tunnel to Towers Race

The first annual Newport Beach Tunnel to Towers Race is being held on Saturday, September 16 at 8:00 a.m. at Newport Dunes. The Race is a new event being put together by Newport Beach Firefighters to honor Steven Siller and those who died in 9-11. Steven Siller was an off-duty firefighter in New York City on 9-11-01. He witnessed the attacks on 9-11 and responded to the incident. He drove his truck as far as he could, to the Brooklyn Battery Tunnel, and then with sixty pounds of gear ran through the tunnel to try to meet up with his crew and assist at the World Trade Center. Tragically, he was killed with many other innocent lives and this race is to honor all of them. The "Tunnel to Tower" runs will be occurring across the country with their mission being to follow Stephen's footsteps through support of children who have lost a parent, firefighters, and military who have been seriously injured and sacrifice their quality of life in the line of duty. To participate in the event or learn more, go to http://www.t2trun.org/newportbeach.

4th Annual Disaster Preparedness Expo- Saturday, September 15, 2012

In conjunction with September as National Preparedness Month, the Newport Beach Fire Department will hold the 4th Annual Disaster Preparedness Expo on Saturday, September 15th. The event will be held from 10:00am-2:00pm at the Newport Beach Central library (1000 Avocado) and is free of charge.

The expo will specifically focus on safety and disaster preparedness for Newport Beach residents. Participants will learn how to build a disaster supply kit, how to prepare their families and what they can do to help prepare their neighborhoods in case of a disaster. There will also be several vendors selling disaster supply kits. It will be a "one-stop" shop for residents to come out and learn about disaster preparedness and to purchase the necessary supplies. All Newport Beach and Orange County residents are encouraged to attend and to invite friends and neighbors to the event. Interested participants can stop at any time from 10:00am-2:00pm.

For additional information on the event call (949) 644-3112 or e-mail nbcert@nbfd.net.

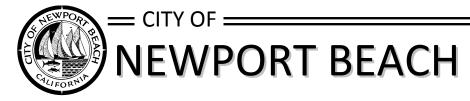
Event Information:

4th Annual Disaster Preparedness Expo Saturday, September 15, 2012 10:00am-2:00pm Newport Beach Central Library 1000 Avocado Avenue

Fire Service Day-Open House



On Saturday, October 6, the Newport Beach Fire Department will be having an Open House at Fire Station 7, located at 20401 Acacia Street. Firefighters and Lifeguards will have static displays of their vehicles and equipment as well as demonstrations of their skills. Please stop by anytime between 10:00am – 1:00pm.



HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

DATE: September 7, 2012

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Terri L. Cassidy, J.D., Human Resources Director

SUBJECT: News from HR and Risk Management

OPEN ENROLLMENT BEGINS MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

The City's Annual Open Enrollment period begins on Monday, September 10, 2012. During Open Enrollment, Risk Management assists active and retired employees in making their benefit elections for the 2013 plan year.

Active employees will enroll themselves and dependents online utilizing the Employee Assistance Center (EAC). The EAC can be accessed on the City's internet site at: https://www2.newportbeachca.gov/eac/login.aspx. The deadline to make benefit selections is Friday, October 5, 2012. Employees and retirees are welcome to call Human Resources at extension 3256 with any Open Enrollment questions.

A special thanks to the Informational Technology (IT) Division, for all of their help updating and maintaining the EAC and assisting with complex administrative work!



HEALTH AND WELLNESS: STAY SAFE AT WORK

Back injuries are the number one work related injury. Make a few simple changes to prevent workplace injuries and stay healthy:

Lift things safely: Bend your legs and keep your back straight.

Prevent repetitive motion injuries: If you sit at a desk for the majority of the day, be sure to sit up straight and adjust your chair and equipment to fit your body and height.

Take short breaks: Take a short stretch break to give your muscles a rest.



LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Library – Cultural Arts



September 7, 2012

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Cynthia Cowell, Library Services Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

International Literacy Day

On Thursday morning, we celebrated International Literacy Day at the Central Library. As always, the room was packed for the moving and inspirational program coordinated by Cherall Weiss to honor the learners and tutors of the Newport-Mesa ProLiteracy program. As part of the event, an exceptional adult learner, Isabel Sevilla, was presented with the Rochelle Hoffman Memorial Award, an annual award given to a learner that exemplifies the spirit of the program with their hard work and dedication to acquiring literacy skills. Isabel spoke about how she came to the United States with very little education and has set a goal of learning English well enough to pass the GED this year and then work towards a college degree. She and others were recognized for their hard work and contributions to their community, with five learners receiving certificates from Representative John Campbell's office honoring their achievement of becoming U.S. citizens.

Many of the students in the literacy program also contributed to *In Our Own Words*, a collection of inspiring and interesting essays that was presented to attendees. Guests were also invited to share a delicious assortment of international potluck dishes.

RFID Tagging

The library staff, with help from volunteers, continues the enormous task of tagging all library materials with Radio Frequency Identification labels. We just finished the Science fiction section and are moving on to Mystery.

Speakers and Programs

September is a very busy month at the library with lots of speakers and special programs. Next week's schedule includes a Sunday Musicale on September 9, a "Meet the Author" event featuring sportswriter and author Mike Lupica on Tuesday evening and the NBPL Foundation's "sold out" Library Live with Erik Larson, author of "Devil in the White City" and "In the Garden of Beasts" on Thursday.

Award winner Isabel Sevilla with Risa Hoffman and Renee Hoffman Heath.





Jeremy Riley from Rep.John Campbell's office presents certificate to new U.S. citizens.



Photo credit Taylor McKelvy Lupica

Mike Lupica, sportswriter and author of bestselling youth novels.

Cultural Arts Services



Welcome Caroline Logan!

At their regular meeting on September 13, the City Arts Commission will welcome newest commissioner, Caroline Logan to the group. Caroline has lived in Newport Beach for many years and has an accomplished education and history of arts involvement. As a matter of fact, she has recently returned from Russia where she had the chance to visit the Hermitage Museum. Caroline has already signed up, with husband Hugh, to visit the Cleopatra Exhibition with fellow commissioners and the public

in October.

"On Living in America"

Last April, the Newport Beach Public Library launched a program called *Searching for Democracy*. The program, made possible through a grant from the California Council for Humanities (and matched by the Newport Beach Public Library Foundation) allowed for the community read of "The Penguin Guide to the United States Constitution" by Dr. Richard Beeman, ancillary lectures, teen public service announcements, children's art, music and displays related to the theme of democracy.

concludes with a display of books and historical documents on the

history of the United States, including the right to vote.

The Newport Beach Public Library's Literacy Division adds a special perspective on being an American. Many of the learners in the program have elected to come to the United States by choice and are involved in obtaining their citizenship. These unique viewpoints are illustrated in a book called "In Our Own Words", a collection of stories, essays and poems written by the learners of the program. The Literacy Division is dedicating a special section in the book for learner writings with the theme *On Living in America*. Several of these writings have been framed and will be displayed for several months at Central Library. Additionally, the program



Library Sunday Musicale with "Triple Entendre"

The NB Public Library's Sunday Musicale series begins September 9 with a talented trio of musicians. Triple Entendre explores the wondrous regions of classical sounds through its own unique perspectives. Flutist Lisa Yamamoto, pianist Kevin Garnica and oboist Jonathan Marzluf have a wide repertoire of works from which to pull, including pieces by noted composers such as Arnold, Loiellet, Dring, Holst, Gaubert and Still. The Sunday Musicale Series is generously sponsored by the Friends of the Newport Beach Library.

Cleopatra on October 2

The City Arts Commission's tour to the California Science Center is about 60 percent filled. The museum tour this fall will visit "Cleopatra, the Exhibition" and includes a docent-led tour, catered lunch and group screening of the IMAX film "Mysteries of Egypt."





September 7, 2012

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Mark Harmon, Municipal Operations Director

SUBJECT: City Manager's Newsletter

Balboa Island Channel Sewage Spill

At 11:00pm on Wednesday, August 15th, the City's dredging contractor struck an 8inch sewer line that services Balboa Island and is located under the channel from the Island to Bayside Drive. The Utilities Division Team responded immediately and was able to isolate the broken line and minimize the amount of wastewater entering the channel. Unfortunately, the bypass line could not handle the capacity of wastewater and, therefore, pump or Vactor trucks had to be called in to truck the waste off the Island to a sewer manhole on Bayside Drive. It quickly became apparent though that additional trucks would be needed to handle the waste flow. The call went out and Orange County Sanitation District, Irvine Ranch Water District, and Costa Mesa Sanitary District all responded quickly with trucks and operators. Nine of these large trucks were used to carry loads of wastewater off the Island and prevent any flow from entering the channel. It was truly a multi-agency response to a very serious problem. Once the trucks were in place, the dredging company hired a diving firm to repair the broken line and get the main line back in service. At approximately 1:00pm on Friday, prior to the weekend crowds coming to Balboa Island, the line was back in service and the Vactor trucks were released back to their respective agencies.



A HUGE thank you to the Utilities Team, Chris Miller (Harbor Resources Manager), Orange County Sanitation District, Irvine Ranch Water District and Costa Mesa Sanitatary District. Without everyone's professionalism and quick response to the call for help, this situation could have been much worse.

Job Well Done!



Operations Summer Update

Refuse: The Refuse Division completed the summer Saturday collection program for the beach areas and Balboa Island properties that pay Transient Occupancy Tax. The collection started on June 23rd for a total of 348 tons picked up on the 10 Saturdays.

Beach Maintenance: Beach maintenance activities are performed daily by crew members to ensure a safe and clean environment for the public. Since Memorial Day weekend, crew members have been working various shifts in order to maintain the beach areas when hand sweeping, collecting trash, street sweeping, fire ring maintenance, and other beach cleaning activities can be done effectively and safely.

The amount of trash collected on the beach and from adjacent street ends, sidewalks and parking lots exceeded 265 tons.



Big surf and warm weather brought 265,000 beach visitors over the Labor Day holiday weekend.



September 7, 2012

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager

FROM: Jay R. Johnson, Chief of Police

SUBJECT: NEWSLETTER

New Employees

Please join me in welcoming three new members to the Police Department; Police Officers Jason Prince and Nathan Farris, and Police Dispatcher Tim Langham.



Jason Prince was born in Modesto, California, and raised in Placentia. Following High School, Jason attended Biola University, earning a Bachelor's Degree in Christian Education. In 2006, Jason was hired by the Los Angeles Police Department. Jason's LAPD assignments included Patrol and several specialized units, such as the Homeless Task Force and beach detail in the area of Venice Beach. Jason has also been trained and worked as a bicycle school instructor for the LAPD. Most recently, Jason was assigned to the Harbor Division, where he worked with Juvenile Detectives and investigated juvenile-related crimes. Jason

will be assigned to the Patrol Division with a Field Training Officer.



Nathan Farris was born in Marion, Virginia, and raised in Dayton, Virginia. Following High School, Nathan enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. After fulfilling his commitment and receiving an Honorable Discharge from the Marine Corps, he attended the San Diego Regional Public Training Institute as a Police Recruit for the San Diego Police Department. Following his Police Academy graduation, Nathan was assigned to the Patrol Division, primarily patrolling the Northeastern area of the City of San Diego. Nathan is currently in the process of obtaining his Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Liberty

University. Nathan will be assigned to the Patrol Division with a Field Training Officer.



Tim Langham was born in San Diego, California, and Following High School, Tim attended raised in Irvine. Santa Ana College before transferring to the University of Phoenix, where he obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Human Services Management. For the past 14 years, Tim has worked for the Orange County Fire Authority as a Reserve Firefighter. He was employed as a Dispatcher at Doctor's Ambulance Service for 10 years, and since 1998, has coached football at Irvine High School. Tim will be assigned to the Support Services Division. Communications Unit, with a Communications Training Officer.

Volunteer Locates Missing Adult



On August 20 at approximately 9:30 a.m., NBPD dispatchers received a call from concerned family members of an elderly male who had been missing from his home for over two hours. The missing person was 78 years old, suffering from Alzheimer's, and according to his family, had been in deteriorating health over the past several months. Members of the Police Department searched the area for several hours but were unable to locate the missing man. Later that day, Police Volunteers, Explorers, and Cadets joined Officers in a systematic search of the area in hopes of locating the critical missing person. At approximately 5:45 p.m., Volunteer

Richard Simon, who had been searching in an extremely remote area north of Back Bay Drive, located the missing adult in a ravine surrounded by thick vegetation. It appeared the man had fallen in the ravine and was unable to free himself. Assessing the individual's immediate medical needs, Richard provided him with water, marked his location, and directed rescue personnel to his location. Richard's tireless efforts were truly heroic and potentially saved the man's life. Great job, Richard!



National Night Out



On August 7, the Newport Beach Police Department hosted a National Night Out celebration at Bonita Canyon Sports Park. National Night Out is a nationwide annual event that strives to build healthier and safer communities, while generating support for anti-crime programs. The event was City Manager's Newsletter September 7, 2012 Page 3

well attended by approximately 500 Community members. With the assistance of the Fire Department and their "BBQ1" (mobile barbeque), hamburgers and hot dogs were served to those present. Activities were available for children participation, including fingerprinting, balloon animals, crafts, and face painting. Displays and informational stations highlighted the Police Department's various specialized units, such as K9, Motors, SWAT, and Animal Control. These annual Community outreach events help to strengthen Police/Community relations within the City of Newport Beach.



Commercial Vehicle Enforcement



On August 7, Commercial Enforcement Officer Shawn Dugan, along with trained personnel from Irvine, Anaheim, and the California Highway Patrol, conducted a commercial enforcement operation at East Coast Highway and Pelican Point. These operations are designed to help insure the safety of commercial vehicles through inspections and education. Commercial vehicle operations are conducted periodically throughout Orange County, and all involved officers have received highly specialized training to inspect commercial vehicles, particularly in

regards to vehicle safety. The operation yielded three citations, and one individual was arrested for an outstanding warrant. These operations are vital to ensure the safety of our City roads.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

City Manager's Newsletter

To: David A. Kiff, City Manager

From: Stephen G. Badum, Public Works Director

Date: September 7, 2012



OCEAN BOULEVARD & CHINA COVE RAMP SLOPE MAINTENANCE

On Wednesday, August 15th, Public Works staff met with several China Cove residents to review the upcoming Ocean Boulevard and China Cove Ramp Median Slope Maintenance Project. This maintenance contract will address the surface slope failures and involves removal of the existing ice plant, installation of a new irrigation system and landscaping as well as construction of a sculpted architectural concrete surface on a portion of the steeper median slope. Staff also presented this project to the Corona del Mar Residents Association the following Thursday. Although our Municipal Operation Department has done a wonderful job protecting the slopes from further surface failure with the use of plastic sheeting and sand bags, this contract will provide a more permanent and aesthetically pleasing solution to the entire slope.

In addition to the landscaping and hardscape work in the median, the Contractor will be



replacing a section of the aging 4-inch wastewater forcemain that runs along the staircase down to China Cove. This forcemain conveys sewage from a wastewater pump station which serves the entire China Cove community. Work will be phased to minimize disruption to the wastewater system and the adjacent residents. Maintenance activities are set to begin in October and should be completed by December 2012.

15TH STREET REHABILITATION

15th Street runs along the border of Newport Beach and Costa Mesa. The City boundary is actually the centerline of the street. Over the years, Newport crews have been maintaining our side of 15th St. with patch repairs. Costa Mesa has not had the funds to maintain their side and it had become badly rutted and cracked. The successive patch repairs led to a buildup of the crown of the road which increased the streets cross fall. Streets with excessive cross fall cause cars to scrape their frames as they negotiate driveways, alleys and parking lots. The grades in front of Newport Elementary were particularly steep causing many cars to scrape as they drove in and out of the school lot.



As part of the 2011-12 Capital Improvement program the pavement 15th of Street was rehabilitation included to address pavement issues. cross fall grades and update ADA to the school access and the neighborhood. Newport Beach partnered with Costa Mesa so that the entire street could be repaved at once. Newport took the lead in design and construction and came up with an

innovative approach to correct the cross slope issues at the school. A median island was constructed so that the westbound lane grade could be lowered to eliminate the steep cross fall. The other side of the median could not be lowered (due to a large water main vault) but was re-graded slightly to improve the ride over the structure.

The cities of Newport Beach and Costa Mesa, along with the Newport Mesa School District worked cooperatively to ensure this project was constructed during the school's summer break. The City's Contractor started their work on 8/1/12 and was substantially completed by 8/24/12, 17 days ahead of schedule. Great work to all involved: All American Asphalt, City of Costa Mesa, Newport Mesa School District, Mike St. Clair, Mike Sinacori and Patrick Arciniega.

BRISTOL STREET SOUTH PAVING

Council Awarded a Miscellaneous Paving project to Excel Paving on June 10, 2012.

The project's goal is to repair some badly damaged roadway, driveways and bike lanes at various locations. Bristol Street South in particular is in much need of repair. This road was acquired from Caltrans several years ago and is now in need of some significant maintenance. The photos show this area handles high volumes of traffic which will require scheduling these repairs at night. Work will begin in mid-September.



BRISTOL STREET NORTH LANDSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS

The Bristol Street North Landscape Improvement project recently completed construction activities and is currently in the landscape establishment phase. During the next few months the contractor will maintain the new landscaping, and repair or replace any defective items such as plant material, irrigation equipment, or hardscape.

The pictures below illustrate a significant change in aesthetics along Bristol Street North which included installing an irrigation system, preparing the soil for the plants, providing maintenance access, and planting activities. Please enjoy the ride and the new landscape.

This project is a success due to the diligent work efforts of Senior Public Works Inspector Frank Martin, as well as Kevin Pekar and Bob Martinez from the General Services Parks Division.



Before



After

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: September 7, 2012





ACTIVE KIDS

The much-anticipated Active Kids Afterschool Program is off to a great start as the school year began the week of September 4th. Registration is at an all time high with 160 children signed up for after school care this year! Recreation Leaders are running the Active Kids program at three sites: CYC, Mariners Library, and our newly relocated site at Newport Elementary School. Staff worked diligently with the NMUSD as well as Principal Nagy at Newport Elementary to get needed afterschool care onsite. The Newport Elementary location has 50 children enrolled!

PRESCHOOL 101

Our 3-5 year olds will be starting their Pre-K adventures next week on September 10th. Our preschool program will take place at the Newport Coast Community Center and Mariner's Library Vincent Jorgenson Room. This program is full with 65 preschoolers and 15 on the waitlist!



















SUMMER CAMPS & CLASSES REVENUE IS UP!

The numbers are in! Comparison reports for classes and camps from summer 2011 to summer 2012 shows an increase in total revenue collected. Summer revenue was up by 3.6% compared to last summer. The Recreation Division offered over 500 camps and 650 classes to the community this summer.

The success of this summer can be attributed to quality recreation contract instructors and programs they offer through the *Newport Navigator* and the marketing efforts of staff. Staff will begin planning summer 2013 next month!

CAMPS & CLASSES

Revenue Collected Summer 2011 \$ 1,156,193 Summer 2012 \$ 1,199,803

